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## Pennsylvania Cattle Inventory Up 5 Percent From 2015

**All cattle and calves** in Pennsylvania as of January 1, 2016 totaled 1.60 million head, 5 percent above the 1.53 million on January 1, 2015 according to King Whetstone, Director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Northeastern Regional Field Office.

**All cows and heifers** that have calved, at 710 thousand, were up 4 percent from the 680 thousand on January 1, 2015.

- Beef cows, at 180 thousand, were up 20 percent from January 1, 2015.
- Milk cows, at 530 thousand, were unchanged from January 1, 2015.

Other class estimates on January 1, 2016 and the change from January 1, 2015, are as follows:

- All heifers 500 pounds and over, 440 thousand, up 6 percent.
- Beef replacement heifers, 60 thousand, up 9 percent.
- Milk replacement heifers. 325 thousand, up 7 percent.
- Other heifers, 55 thousand, unchanged.
- Steers weighing 500 pounds and over, 135 thousand, down 7 percent.
- Bulls weighing 500 pounds and over, 25 thousand, unchanged.
- Calves under 500 pounds, 290 thousand, up 9 percent.
- Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in all feedlots, 85 thousand, down 6 percent.
- The combined total of calves under 500 pounds, and other heifers and steers over 500 pounds outside of feedlots was 395 thousand, up 5 percent.

## **Calf Crop Up 12 Percent**

The 2015 calf crop was estimated at 580 thousand head, up 12 percent from 2014.

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